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# STATE OF CONNECTICUT – COUNTY OF TOLLAND INCORPORATED

# TOWN OF ELLINGTON

## Human Services Commission

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JAIME FOSTER
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DEANNA WAMBOLT-GULICK

#### **HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES**

Monday, February 11, 2019
Recreation/Human Services Complex
Conference Room – 31 Arbor Way
6:00 P.M

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Susan Stack, Hocine Baouche, Yale Canton, Teresa Cavanagh, Deanna Wambolt-Gulick **OTHERS PRESENT:** Joy Hollister, Director of Human Services; Melinda Ferry, Betty Reece, Ellington Resident

- 1. Call to Order: Sue Stack called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.
- 2. Approval of Minutes: January 14, 2019

MOVED BAOUCHE SECONDED WAMBOLT-GULICK AND PASSED WITH STACK, BAOUCHE, CANTON, AND WAMBOLT-GULICK IN FAVOR AND CAVANAGH ABSTAINING TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 14, 2019 REGULAR MEETING.

3. Citizens' Forum: None

#### 4. Director's Report:

Joy Hollister updated the commission on the Human Services Department. She discussed the free tax service, VITA, that it has begun with several appointment already booked. The department is continuing to help with Energy Assistance as well as fuel deliveries for those who have expended their energy assistance funds. The Renter's Rebate program will be beginning again soon, and they are continuing to assist residents with Medicare, Medicaid, and other programs. Rebecca Stack will also be providing a budgeting program at the Senior Center on April 1, 2019.

The Senior Center is continuing to thrive with the café averaging about thirty people. They are also completing taxes via AARP, at the Senior Center. Sam Baer's Friday yoga program has been very successful and she has begun chair yoga as well as continuing the TED (technology, entertainment, and design) talks.

The Youth Services Department has been extremely busy. They have upcoming programs including Narcan training, the Community Resource Fair, QPR (question, persuade, and refer) training, and their Gallery Night.

#### 5. Unfinished Business

a. Update on Little Food Pantry/Memorial Donation: The town has approved the project and the specifications. The project is anticipated to be completed in the spring of 2019.

### 6. New Business

### a. Budget for FY 19/20

Joy Hollister reviewed the budget line items with the commission letting them know of changes and updates from the FY 18/19 budget. The Human Services Commission did not have any recommendations or changes to the proposed budget.

## 7. Adjournment

MOVED BAOUCHE SECONDED CAVANAGH AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN AT 6:47 PM.

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Next meeting is Monday, March 11, 2019

Submitted by:

Kristen Wasielewski